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Future of OBC/OTS Celebrated at Inauguration

September 26, 1992, the day of President Gordon's inauguration, was sunnier than many recent Saturdays, the luncheon was delicious, many friends and distinguished guests were able to share the occasion and the chapel service was well planned. Assessed on this alone, the inauguration of the president, Bruce E. Gordon, was deemed a success.

But there was more — an answer to the many prayers for the day. A strong sense of the presence of God touched the 300 guests during the inaugural ceremony, which was built around a worship service. Family, friends (some from Sault Ste. Marie, ON, the President's home town), faculty, staff, Board, Corporation and many supporters shared the day.

Before the 3 p.m. service, 240 guests lunched in the dining room. There a number of leaders from Christian academic institutions across Canada brought greetings. Their presence reminded guests of the great partnership that OBC/OTS enjoys with other schools in serving the Church. In his comments, Dr. Robert A. Rose, president of Canadian Bible College/Theological Seminary, Regina, said, "We are proud to share the occasion and to co-operate in theological education in Canada."

Photo by Rich Hutchings

Commissioning the president through laying on of hands. (l-r) Dr. Gordon Freeland, Board chair, Robert Linklatter, Denise Gordon, behind Denise is Marilyn McRae, President Gordon and behind him, students Craig Frere and Jacob Birch, next to the President are Board members Jonanne Fenton and Sel Belsher.

The Service

During the hour-and-a-half service, OBC student council president, Jacob Birch, welcomed the President with "sibling camaraderie" alluding to the interesting six months when the President lived in residence before his family joined him in Toronto. Craig Frere, OTS student council vice-president, noted that the Seminary's theme this year is Celebrating Servant Leadership and said "Praise God for your willingness to serve."

The chancellor, Dr. Wm. McRae and his wife Marilyn, warmly introduced President Gordon, his wife Denise and their sons Adam, Aaron, and Andrew.

Dr. Rod Wilson, vice-president, OBC, Academic and Student Affairs, brought the charge to the president. He challenged President Gordon, and indeed all those listening, to be aware of three dangers of contemporary leadership: autonomy without community, anarchy when leadership is abdicated and activity without character.

Before Dr. Wilson proceeded with his formal charge, he had the president step from the platform to stand among the faculty and congregation. Dr. Wilson then challenged him to equip and empower others so they could have maximum opportunity to grow; to never abdicate his responsibility to be a leader; and to act with character and never fall into the trap of using charm and skill to get by. After the president accepted the charge, Dr. Wilson invited the audience to stand as an affirmation of their commit-

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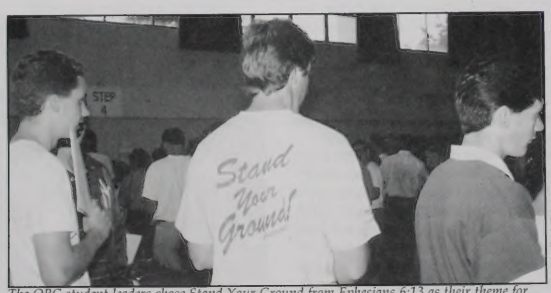

Photo by Krysia P. Lear

The OBC student leaders chose Stand Your Ground from Ephesians 6:13 as their theme for the year. (L-r) are Fraser Wilkinson, Greg Tobin and Don Hiscox.

Seminary Reaches Record Enrollment

by Krysia P. Lear

This fall the Seminary broke the 500 mark in student enrollment for the first time. The registrar, Dr. Steve Roy, reports that OTS has 521 men and women taking full and part-time courses. Equally exciting is the news that there are 55 more full-time students than last year.

The Seminary has its largest preaching class ever at 53 students. Counselling drew the greatest number in a focus and has the highest proportion of female students.

The College is close to last year's enrollment figures with 515. Rev. Stephen Thomson, the OBC registrar, commented that "the student body at the College once again reflects the real mosaic of the body of Christ." He explained, "The average age of our full-time students is 24 and that of the part-timers is 36. We have an ethnic, denominational, national and international mix that provides a tremendous context for learning both in the classroom and out."

First year Seminary students during an orientation session in the first week.

Sights, Sounds, and Sighs From September

Baseball games, retreats, information overload, caring faculty and staff, bewildered newcomers, warm reunions among returning students — all marked the opening weeks of the academic year.

Seen on Labour Day: 37 smiling OBC student leaders greeting nervous newcomers and their families.

Seen in cafeteria: students with broad smiles after eating the new delicious all-you-can-eat meals.

Heard at an OBC orientation meeting: cheers, whistles and wild applause from returning students when the President asked "What about those renovations?" At that point they had only seen the repainted main floor hallway and the remodelled reception area. The new campus shop and student lounge were still under construction.

Seen in the OBC student lounge after opening day: A transformation. Forest green and cream decor; new oak tables and booths filled with students enjoying lunch from the tuck shop; and through the huge windows, the sunlit autumn colours on the hills of the nearby ravine.

Seen at registration: long line ups — a mixed blessing. Wonderful for the registrars who know that the only numbers that count are of those who finally register; a little slow for those in line.

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Honours for Board Members

At its annual convention in July 1992, the Gideons International in Canada elected W. H. Kemuel McCullough as national president for a one year term. Kem is a professional engineer and former executive with Dover Elevator Canada until his retirement in November 1991.

Kem, a member of the OBC/OTS Board of Governors, and his wife Joy have served OBC/OTS for a number of years.

John Harlton, president of Urban Animal Management, Inc., London, ON, was recently appointed to the American Association of Humane Societies. He is the first Canadian to receive this honour. John chairs the Nominating Committee of the OBC/OTS Board of Governors.

College's Mission Conference

The OBC Global Ministries Conference is scheduled for January 25-27, 1993. The main speaker, Dr. Samuel T. Kamaleson, vice-president at large, World Vision International, will address the theme Do All Religions Lead to God? For further information contact Dr. Ebe Sikakane, co-ordinator of the Intercultural focus, OBC.

On Camera

Two Seminary faculty appear on the television program Encounter this season at 9 a.m. on CFTO. On November 21 the acting dean, Dr. Roy Matheson, participated in a program on preparing pastors for minstry. On December 6, Dr. Kevin Quast, professor of New Testament, will be interviewed on the role of denominations today.

Prof a "Model" Student

Paul Bramer, OBC's new professor of Christian Education, has made it into international advertising. Also an EdD student at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL, he is pictured in an ad for its doctoral program. You can see Paul in the June 27, 1992 issue of Christianity Today. Paul's research is in the field of spiritual formation.

Music for Canada

Last spring Nick Peros, adjunct faculty in the OBC music department, completed ISQUMATAQ a symphony for national unity, meant to inspire Canadians with a vision of Canada. One hour in length, it is for orchestra, choir and Inuit throat singing. It is part of a collaborative effort between Peros and Ken Kirkby, who has painted a 12'x 25' portrait of the Arctic landscape. A national tour is being planned in 1992/93.

Scholarship Winners

Three Seminary students received awards from the New York-based Fund for Theological Education. They are awarded to minority men and women in MDiv programs who are ordained or are candidates for ordination.

A Benjamin E. Mays Scholarship for Ministry went to Grace Marshall who is with The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada; Hispanic American Scholarships for Ministry went to Enrique Aldaz who is with the Missionary Church of Canada and to Sigfirdo Ortiz who is with the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Lucy Kiyiapi, who is in the MTS program, received scholarships from the International Peace Scholarship Fund and World Vision.

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Bruce E. Gordon
President

The Challenge of Leadership

For this issue I have asked Dr. Rod Wilson to write a guest editorial adapting the charge he gave me at my inauguration.
I believe that his comments will be helpful to others in leadership roles.

In welcoming a new President we are dealing with the issue of leadership. Not just any leadership but leadership of the largest seminary and third largest Bible college in Canada. In light of this we need to look at three dangers in leadership.

The first danger is that of slipping into autonomy without community. Pyramidal, hierarchical, chain of command notions of leadership often create a leader who is independent. Here focus is placed on the person's skills and abilities to such an extent that the community that the person leads becomes irrelevant and incidental.

In any school, but particularly in a non-denominational one, a leader needs to appreciate and facilitate the diversity of the body of Christ. A real leader will equip the entire community and remember the marginalized whether they be poor, non-Western, non-white, or female.

The second danger is that of slipping into anarchy without leadership. In the absence of leadership there is disorder and confusion. In today's pluralistic world there are many voices, and there would appear to be a direct relationship between the absence of leaders and the proliferation of phone-in talk shows where everyone has an opinion.

The danger in this case is that the leader becomes so other-centered and communally oriented that he or she ceases to lead. A real leader will take the leadership task seriously to prevent disorder and confusion.

The third danger is that of activity without character. One of the illusions of leadership is that it involves particular behaviours or a performance orientation. However, real leaders are aware that leadership is a way to be, before it is a way to do. A Christian leader is not simply someone who has accepted Jesus, been given a role, and adopted slick gimmicks. Rather a Christian leader is someone whose leadership skills and knowledge are infused with godly character. This is where the spiritual battle rages, where the struggle is most profound. A real leader puts character before activity.

If Bruce Gordon is to be this kind of leader, we as the Christian community need to do our part. If he is not to slip into the danger of autonomy without community, we need to be his partners. If he is to avoid the danger of anarchy without leadership, we need to be accountable and show him our respect. If he is to escape the danger of activity without character, we need to nurture him toward personal integrity.

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ment to support him through encouragement, example and prayer. (See the editorial for the fuller text.)

Following the charge, representatives of the Board, faculty, staff, students and friends surrounded the President and Denise Gordon for the laying-on-of-hands. A friend of the Gordons, Robert Linklater, now vice-president, Canadian Operations, The Lowen Group Inc., Burnaby, BC, lead in the prayer of dedication.

The Future for OBC/OTS

In his speech following the charge, President Gordon stated that the College and Seminary are "on the threshold of some of the greatest opportunities that we have ever faced." He said that as we move through the '90s in a changing society, there is a tremendous opening for theological education as it produces men and women of integrity, which the world is seeking.

As part of its planning, the College is seeking to diversify its program. In addition to streams in early childhood education, special needs, pastoral studies, youth ministries and the humanities, the College is exploring key affiliations with other institutions in "business, health sciences and communications."

The Seminary is exploring a number of strategies to meet the challenge of its rapid growth. One is to address a need identified by graduates for more training in administrative functions such as organizational behaviour and finance. These innovations will complement the existing Masters programs in Chinese Studies, Counselling, Educational Ministries, Missiology, Pastoral Studies and Youth.

Inauguration photo by Rick Hutchings

▲ *President Gordon stands among the faculty and guests in Hooper Chapel to accept Dr. Rod Wilson's charge to give strong Christian leadership. In the front row are the President's family, Adam, his wife Denise, Andrew and Aaron.*

Guests: Dr. Walter C. Wright, president, Regent College with Dr. Freeland. ▶

(l-r) Dr. Clark N. Pinnock, professor of Systematic Theology, McMaster Divinity College, Hamilton, ON, Rev. Marvin Brubacher, president, London Baptist Bible College, London, ON, and Dr. Robert Rose, president, Canadian Bible College and Theological Seminary, Regina. ▶

Also present were the CBC/CTS vice-president, Operations, Peter Dyck and Dr. Paul Magnus, senior vice-president, Briercrest Bible College, Caronport, SK, who also brought greetings from the executive of the Association of Canadian Bible Colleges.

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All articles without bylines are staff written.

Responding to AIDS

Grad gives leadership in an area of concern to today's church

by Pauline Clarke

AIDS is more than a medical issue, and Christians can respond with compassion in a variety of ways. With this conviction, I accepted an assignment from my mission, SIM International, to investigate the AIDS (Acquired Immuno-deficiency Syndrome) situation in Francophone Africa during my recent term (1989-1991).

Two students, whom I had met while studying at the Seminary in 1988-89, had helped me see beyond a medical focus on AIDS. Because of Scott (MTS '89) and Karen Forbes, who serve with AEF (Africa Evangelical Fellowship) in Mongu, Zambia, I took the assignment with a clear idea of what was needed.

In addition, because of my own background in health care, I knew that health care facilities and personnel were very limited both within and without the mission/church structure. Considering AIDS as solely their responsibility would overwhelm an already fragile health care structure.

I began my work in February 1991 doing fact-finding in Niger, Benin and Burkina Faso, although I did travel in other countries. My assignment was two-fold: to discover the extent of the spread of AIDS and then to determine the possible impact of its many implications for both SIM and her related churches. I was also asked to work with the national church and mission leaders to determine the roles that each could play, to set objectives and then to plan strategies.

Implication of the Fact-finding

AIDS is a growing health issue in every sub-Saharan African country. At present the infection rate in the Francophone area countries is still relatively small, but it is tripling yearly and will soon become a significant concern.

At the same time, AIDS must be kept in perspective with regard to the larger health picture: malaria, respiratory diseases and diarrhea kill many more people yearly than AIDS. But, this is off-set to some extent, by the impact beyond the person infected. Because AIDS is largely transmitted heterosexually in Africa, it strikes at the family, and the family is the core of African society.

The newness of AIDS also means that there is a great need to help those in the community deal with their fears and confusion. Otherwise, they cannot act for the common good. In areas such as East Africa, where AIDS is commonly seen and understood, people have a greater sense of concern. In the West African Francophone countries, however, this is not yet the case.

Because AIDS is not readily visible, individuals and communities find it hard to believe that it exists as a disease, or that their communities are threatened. Nor is cause and effect readily evident since several years usually elapse between infection and onset of symptoms. Education is made more difficult because of this, and infections continue to spread once the virus is introduced into a community.

Photo by Wilfred Dolfsma

Pauline Clarke during celebration for opening of new facilities on campus in May.

Education efforts are hampered because of the taboos around public discussion of sexual issues and thus of the principle mode of transmission, which is sexual contact. These taboos also carry over into many of the local churches. In addition, pastors are often ill-equipped to explain scriptural values about sexuality, for a variety of reasons.

Missionaries often have a poor understanding of many of the cultural values dominating family life, courtship, sexuality and the place of children. This results partly because of fear of broaching taboo subjects, and partly because we assume at times that values are similar to our own.

Beyond the implications related to sexuality are those related to kinship ties, economic issues and facing death as young adults. Illness or care of the ill, and funerals mean loss of productivity and employment, children lose their place in school as fees cannot be paid, or because they are orphaned. The progress made in maternal and child health programs is likely to be lost due to the impact of HIV infection on mothers and their small children. The World Bank now considers AIDS to be a development issue in Africa. At times, the implications appear too staggering to contemplate.

Response

As I understood some of the implications of AIDS, I began to formulate ideas on how mission and church could respond. It seems essential that we show solidarity with others who are concerned about these issues and identify ourselves with the communities in which we find ourselves.

In some areas Christians can work fully with government and community agencies since roles overlap in advocacy, education, care and counselling.

At other times, because of conflicting values, we may modify our activities to reflect biblical values. The most obvious example of this is teaching on the use of condoms, which is only part of the solution in halting the transmission of HIV. It can be said that African governments do reflect their high value on families by including teaching on faithfulness within marriage, but the use of condoms is being increasingly emphasized.

Then there are roles particular to meeting the spiritual needs for which the church and mission can take responsibility. Among them are the priestly (pastoral), evangelistic, incarnational (the need to be present working with those infected) and prophetic (seeing what God is doing and interpreting it to the community.)

At present, however, pastors need more equipping to deal with the situation on its present scale. They need specific training in the area of AIDS, on biblical values regarding sexuality, in counselling and care of the dying and grieving. Then they will be able to further equip their congregations to meet the needs which will arise as AIDS makes inroads into their communities.

Missionaries need equipping to better understand cultural values and differences in order to be supportive of the response to AIDS through the church.

North American Response

There is also a task for those in churches supporting missionaries. Protective prayer is critical because missionaries become targets for spiritual oppression as they give leadership in new areas where Christians have made no or very little impact. One of my major goals while on this furlough has been to find strong prayer partners.

AIDS opens up big issues, and confusion and fear are not limited to Africa. North American Christians face questions around their own response to sexual pressures and in relating to friends and family members with AIDS or HIV infection. Churches need to develop a greater awareness of AIDS issues among their congregations.

The task is large, but the experience of others in East and Central Africa shows that many people affected directly and indirectly by AIDS become spiritually hungry, and desire peace and reconciliation with God. The burden may be heavy, but the rewards are there in seeing people find new life in Christ.

Pauline Clarke, BRE '88, OTS Cert '89, a registered nurse and certified midwife, is AIDS research co-ordinator for SIM Francophone Area and stationed in Niamey, Niger.

Pauline would like to hear from others doing similar work; she can be reached at SIM, B.P. 10065, Niamey, Niger, W. Africa or SIM Canada, 10 Huntingdale Blvd, Scarborough, ON, Canada, M1W 2S5. ✞

AIDS Facts

- Outside of North America and Europe, heterosexual transmission of HIV (Human Immuno-deficiency Virus), which causes AIDS, is the most common mode, with women being infected at about the same rate as men.
- In sub-Saharan Africa, estimated number of adult cases of AIDS stands at about 1.5 million.
- Estimated number of women of child-bearing age with HIV/ per 100,000 women by continent in 1991 was 2500 (1:40) for Africa as compared with 140 for North America (source: WHO). ✞

Worship Enriches Community

The richness of the trans-denominational life at the College has been reflected in a new series of worship chapels this semester.

Last spring, in planning the schedule for the coming year, Dr. Rod Wilson and Rudy Dirks, OBC chaplain, decided to designate the majority of the Wednesday chapels as a time to build community. Staff members were particularly asked to join faculty and students, and the intention was to draw from men and women within the community to lead the services.

Photo by Ellis Photographic Images

Elizabeth Davey

After reflection, the planning committee chaired by Elizabeth Davey of the General Arts Department, concluded that they should put the focus on worshipping together and that out of this community would grow. Elizabeth has a deep concern for worship in the church and said, "Our purpose for existence is to worship, but for a long time so little in the church has resembled worship." She illustrated her point saying that often all but the sermon has been treated as a preliminary.

Elizabeth commented that the committee's experience of wrestling with a number of issues is common to many groups and churches. The committee, which comprises an Anglican, Paul Friesen, faculty, General Arts, a Pentecostal, student Germaine Ramsey, Baptists, Elizabeth Davey and Dr. David Russell, Faculty, Ministry Studies, and a Free Methodist, Mary Ann Buffam, director of Development, have also worked through questions such as: What do we draw from different traditions? How do we develop sensitive worship leaders?

Conference Theme

The OBC/OTS Ministry Enrichment Conference, to be held February 15-17 in the College building, will focus on worship. The theme speaker is Dr. Robert Webber, an Episcopal lay theologian and professor of Theology at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL. His book, *Signs of Wonder: the Convergence of Liturgical and Charismatic Worship* will soon be published.

At the conference he plans to look at issues such as the future of Christian worship, biblical principles, restoring the joy of entering into God's presence.

For information contact Dr. David Russell, the conference co-ordinator. ✞

Dr. Robert Webber

Book Commissioned to Mark Centennial

In 1994 Ontario Bible College will celebrate its 100th anniversary. To honour the occasion OBC has commissioned Alvyn J. Austin to write a history of OBC and its constituent bodies, Toronto Bible College and London Bible Institute/ London College of Bible and Missions.

Alvyn, who is a son of TBC alumni, has done extensive research on the history of Canadian missions and Canadian evangelicalism. John Irwin, who has a great deal of expertise in publishing, will oversee the project in co-operation with the OBC Centennial Committee.

The author wants to draw on the knowledge and material of OBC/ OTS alumnae/i and friends. The following material prepared by Alvyn describes the involvement that we seek.

A Far Reaching Impact

This volume will be important not only to OBC/OTS but also to the scholarly studies of Canadian Evangelicalism. The glory of OBC has always been its interdenominational diversity and international outreach. As Dr. McRae wrote of OBC graduates at the 90th anniversary: "What a mighty army of warriors they are in the army of Christ's kingdom."

Please Write

You can an invaluable resource in writing this history. The College archives are full of documentary material but records are often dry without the spark of personal stories.

Please write your reminiscences. Though the format of the book has not been formalized, we plan to include excerpts from letters to give a first-person voice. The letters themselves will be turned over to the College.

Photo by Peter Emmerson

Author Alvyn Austin with his stepmother Emma Austin, '32.

To help you get started, here are questions we think are important. Feel free to expand on any topic, or include any we have missed. We would also be interested in your comments on other students, either in general, or on individuals.

Your path to OBC:
What spiritual experiences brought you to OBC? What was your hometown, your family's denomination? Why did you choose OBC rather than another college? What was your formal education, your ministry experience? What was your theological understanding before you came and how did OBC affect it?

School days:
What are your memories of life at OBC: spiritually, academically, socially, of extra curricular activities, of tours and of ministry work, of prayer fellowships, of life in residence or in apartments, of the churches you attended, of the adjustments you made, etc?

Each decade was unique: what was distinctive about OBC in your time? Who were the outstanding teachers and student leaders? What are aspects you remember less fondly? What were the "spirit" and faith of OBC? What were the theological controversies of your time (premillennial dispensationalism, modernism, new evangelicalism) and how were they manifested? What were the academic standards? What were the students' concerns?

Your path into the world:
What impact did OBC have on your life's journey? Into what type of work did you go? Where did you work. How did OBC influence your personal spiritual life and growth?

Your memorabilia
If you have any records (life histories, correspondence, photographs), please tell us. Do not send items in yet; later we may borrow them for copying and will return them to you.

Researchers Wanted

Some of you may want to work with me by doing research. If this important work can be done on a volunteer basis, it will defray costs.

Please send your letters to Mr. Alvyn Austin c/o OBC. ✞

Remembering Those Who Served

by Tom Hamilton

The Second World War had a tremendous impact upon many students at Toronto Bible College and London Bible Institute. Following Canada's entrance into the War on September 20, 1939, many men and women from the schools enlisted in the Canadian military. Their service was not without cost; nine TBC students were killed during the war. While each death is tragic, two are especially poignant.

Samuel Rozell was a member of the class of 1942. The yearbook noted his enthusiastic participation in the Male Quartet. One description notes that, "He was of a quiet, yet friendly disposition, and those who knew him best were impressed by his earnest desire to serve and follow his Saviour."

After he joined the RCAF, Rozell, in October 1941, was being trained at the Guelph Radio School. On October 30 after visiting his friends at TBC, he was fatally injured in an automobile accident while driving back to Guelph.

Albert McCreery attended TBC in 1938. After completing further theological studies at McMaster University he enlisted with the 22nd Canadian Armoured Regiment (Grenadier Guards). He wanted to become a chaplain but because he did not have the requisite three years experience in the pastorate, he enlisted in the army as a combatant.

Later his years of military service in England were accepted as a substitute for pastoral work, and in May 1944 he was ordained a Baptist minister (BCOQ) in Aldershot Baptist Church, Hampshire, England.

On May 17, McCreery was appointed chaplain of his old tank corps, the Grenadier Guards and served with his regiment in northwest Europe. Tragedy struck on May 4, 1945. In an interview with Chaplain Bob Sneyd (a few months before his death in July 1992), he described the death of his fellow chaplain. "Just before the year ended Albert went to rescue some of his boys to the RAP (Regimental Aid Post). A sniper picked off Albert, killing him and the men he was trying to rescue. Albert was driving a jeep with big red crosses painted on it, and the Gerrys usually respected those crosses."

Albert McCreery had been killed within 48 hours of the end of World War II.

There is another aspect of the Second World War that should not be forgotten. For dozens of students from TBC and LBI, the war provided numerous opportunities to share their faith.

Many military personnel became dedicated Christians during the war and later enrolled in TBC and LBI.

Editor's note: As we celebrate the golden anniversary of the class of '42 and look forward to that of other classes from the '40s, it seemed appropriate to remember this facet of the College's history. We regret that publication delays meant that it could not be out before Remembrance Day.

Tom Hamilton graduated from OTS in May 1992 with an MDIV degree. Tom is continuing his research on chaplains in World War II, while pursuing an MA in History at the University of Toronto. ✞

In memory of those from TBC who fell in the Second World War.*

Samuel Rozell '39-'41
A.C.2, R.C.A.F.
October 30, 1941, Guelph, ON

Earl Griffin '38-'39
A.B., R.C.N.V.R.
February 1943, Mediterranean

Albert Minden
F/O R.C.A.F.
March 18, 1944, Germany

Sydney Barron '39-'40
Cpl, Algonquin Regiment
August 9, 1944, Overseas

Harwood Peltz '40-'41
Pte. Infantry, USA Army
August 10, 1944, Italy

Albert Holland '40-'42
Cpl., R.C.A.M.C.
September 20, 1944, Meaford, ON

Stanley Gaudin '38
F/O, R.A.F.
October 5, 1944, near Galway Ireland

Edgar Stavenow '39
Pte., C.F.A. Medical Force
December 16, 1944, Italy

Albert McCreery '38
H./Capt. (Chaplain)
Grenadier Guards
May 4, 1945, Germany

*No listing could be found in LBI yearbooks of students who died while in the services during World War II. Please let us know of any who did. ✞

Seminary *continued from pg 1*

Experienced at the OTS orientation retreat: anxious moments as Ellen Rae Dai (nee Foubister, BSM '90), spouse of student Peikang Dai, tried to meet the stork in Toronto. Ellen Rae started labour on Saturday while at a conference grounds 250 km north of Toronto. With contractions two minutes apart, Rev. Roger Smith, husband of dean of students Lynn Smith, drove the couple to hospital where Ellen Rae had a baby girl, Anya.

Felt across the campus: great appreciation for the many improvements. The changes in the Seminary were covered so we'll catch you up on those at the College.

The changes on the main floor came at the instigation of the OBC Management Team (President Gordon, Dr. Rod Wilson, and James Bailey, dean of students). They wanted to better reflect the College's commitment to students and to tie the area in with the new Seminary look.

The Cinderella transformation in the student lounge was a true community effort. James Bailey and two of his team, Cherlyn Fagan, director of residence life, and Stephen Wilson, director of student activities and commuter students, worked on the concept, decor and furnishings; Beaver Foods supplied funding and advice on the tuck shop, while John Buckley, the campus facilities manager, organized the contractors. Students asked that the lounge be like a family room and they got their wish. ✞

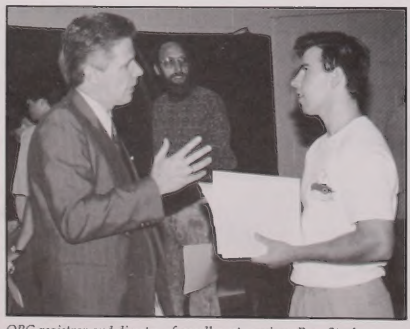

Photo by Krysia P. Lear

OBC registrar and director of enrollment services, Rev. Stephen Thomson, discusses options with student Brian Lindstrom. In the background is student Irvine Amoral.

OBC/OTS ALUMNI *Keeping In Touch*

BIRTHS

Chelsea Rae to Bruxy (MTS '90) & Sharon **Cavey**, September 24, 1992, Hamilton, ON

Anya Ranee to Ellen Rae (nee **Foubister**, BSM '90) & Peikang Dai, September 12, 1992, Scarborough, ON

Miriam Emily to Ken (BTh '84) & Mary Lou (nee **Helwig**, Cert '82) **Wiles**, August 2, 1992, Leamington, ON

Ian Nathaniel to Godfrey (BTh '82) & Sandy **Green**, July 10, 1992, Etobicoke, ON

James Kent to Karen (nee **MacLeod**, BRE '83) & Kent MacLeod, March 24, 1992, Truro, NS

Laura Beth to Willie (BRE '83) & Tanis (nee **Delf**, BTh '85) **Warner**, March 7, 1992

Roger Lancaster to Peter (MDiv '90) & Carol **Bongers**, November 25, 1991

Tricia Victoria to Ramona (nee **Brown**, BRE '85) & Alex Monsour, September 5, 1991, Guelph, ON

Rebecca Joy to Mark (BTh '77) & Ruth (nee **Soucoup**, BRE '77) **Boughan**, August 1991, Canning, NS

MARRIAGES

Wendy **Houghton**, BRS '92, to Kiernan **Stringer**, BRS '92, October 10, 1992, Toronto, ON

Brian **Russell**, BRE '90, to Sherri **Harmes**, BRE '92, October 3, 1992, Georgetown, ON

*Brian and Sherri **Russell**, with Brian's parents, Mary and Dr. David Russell, co-ordinator Pastoral focus, OBC. Brian is an enrollment services co-ordinator at OBC.*

Kevin **Fielding**, BRE '90, to Betty **Neufeld**, xOBC '87-90, September 26, 1992, Waterloo, ON

Terry **Wiseman**, MTS '91, to Joy **Graham**, former personnel manager, OBC/OTS, September 25, 1992, North York, ON

Bruce **Demitroff**, BRE '91, to Donna **Atkinson**, BRE '91, July 11, 1992

Ruth Anne **Wideman**, MTS '88, to Scott Richardson, June 27, 1992, Oak Ridges, ON

Martha Marie **Haviland**, BRE '85, to Kendall Blair Fullerton, October 12, 1991, North York, ON

Frances **Daigle**, BRS '88, to Anton Epp, August 10, 1991, Kitchener, ON

Victor **Lee**, BTh '89, to Joyce Lam, June 15, 1991

DEATHS

Shirley **Cox**, xOBC '85, September 29, 1992, Guelph, ON

Harry **Oosthuyzen**, BTh '63, August 26, 1992

Allan L. B. **Harrington**, '39, July 19, 1992

Lillian **Forth**, '26, July 15, 1992, Guelph, ON

Victor **Burroughs**, '42, June 2, 1992, Downsview, ON

Stephen T. **Robinson**, '38, June 1992, Kenora, ON

Thomas C. **Miller**, '57, BRE '68, May 18, 1992, Haiku, Maui, HI

PASTORAL

Milton (MDiv '88) and Angela **Basil** have returned to Canada after a successful ministry in Greece. He is now seeking direction for pastoral ministry in Canada.

Robert **Brglez**, BRE '89, senior pastor, First Baptist Church, Port Hope, ON

Rick **Gledhill**, MDiv '89, ordained, Nov. 1, 1992, Mississauga City Baptist Church (BCOQ), Mississauga, ON, where he is associate pastor.

Photo by Marlow Wilson

*Terry and Joy **Wiseman**.*

*Ruben (MTS '89) and Bev (MTS '89) **Ramirez** were in Canada for a short visit this fall and in November returned to Columbia still under the auspices of Latin America Mission to a new ministry. Christ for the City. They are moving to the city of Manizales.*

S. Frank **Hadzalic**, BRE '89, granted full pastoral license, Missionary Church Canada East, May 5, 1992. Presently he is church planting a ministry to the deaf, Sheridan Hills Missionary Church, Oakville, ON.

John (MDiv '92) and Lynda (MTS '92) **Kirk**, co-pastors, Free Methodist Church, Newmarket, ON

Mike **LaFleur**, MDiv '90, ordained, Erin Mills Baptist Church (FEBC), Mississauga, ON, June 14, 1992

*Major Elaine **Becker**, BRE '89, doing doctoral studies in Christian Education at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. She has a strong interest in life-long learning and its implications for the Christian life.*

Chiver **Wat**, MDiv '92, assistant pastor and church planter, Pickering Chinese Baptist Church (BCOQ), Pickering, ON

MINISTRIES

Dave (MTS '92) and Linda **Buchner** have been approved as full-time staff members of International Students Canada. Pending the raising of financial support, they will begin their ministry to students at the University of Guelph, Guelph, ON.

John **Scorgie**, MDiv '81, former pastor of Calvary Gospel Church (AGC), Welland, ON, pastor, Bethany Baptist Church (FEBC), Sault Ste. Marie, ON

MISSIONS

Scott **Forbes**, MTS '89, as of Spring '93, public ministries and recruitment director, Africa Evangelical Fellowship. He and his family returned from Africa, November 1992.

David (OBC Cert '80) & Marion **Reimer**, beginning ministry with The Leprosy Mission, Bhutan, for three years.

Photo by Rich Hutchings

Marguerite Glanfield serving staff member Angela Collura in the new Campus Shoppe, which opened in September. Business has been very good as students, faculty, staff and visitors enjoy the choices in cards, music, stationery, gifts, and snacks.

NEWS

Marguerite **Glanfield**, nee Moniz, BTh '78, campus shop manager, OBC/OTS, August 1992

Victor **Lee**, BTh '89, beginning MDiv studies in Evangelism, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, IL

Robyn **Michell**, MTS '92, public ministry/conference co-ordinator, Communications Department, OBC/OTS

Shannon **Stovell**, OBC Cert '90, concluding ministry with Christian Horizons in Hamilton, ON, to return to full-time studies

John **Walton**, MDiv '89, who has a private counselling practice in Kingston, ON, taking further courses in social work at University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON

AGC = Associated Gospel Churches
AIM = Africa Inland Mission
BCOQ = Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec
FEBC = Fellowship of Evangelical Baptists in Canada
x = Years Attended

Prepared by Shawn Stovell, alumni co-ordinator, OBC/OTS, with records from Dr. G. Gordon, field education director, OTS.

HOMECOMING '92

WILL BE FEATURED IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

DATA DETECTIVES NEEDED

WANTED: a detail oriented person who can give one day a week on a regular volunteer basis to help 'clean up' the data base.

We want to publish an alumni directory but need to improve the accuracy of our records.

Please contact Shawn M. Stovell, alumni co-ordinator, if you can help. Even a 3-6 month commitment would be appreciated.

Send Us Your NEWS!

We'd love to hear from you and hope this will make your response easier! We'll let your friends and classmates know what's new in your life. Please fill in this form and return it to: Alumni Office, OBC/OTS, 25 Ballyconnor Court, North York, ON, M2M 4B3.

Name _____

Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

Street _____ City _____

Province _____ Postal Code _____ Phone _____

Year Graduated/Last Attended _ OBC ☐ OTS ☐ Degree _____

Occupation _____ Company _____

Spouse's Name (if applicable) _____

Year spouse graduated (if applicable) _ OBC ☐ OTS ☐ Degree _

Occupation _____ Company _____

Have you had other changes recently: a new career, a new project, marriage, a baby, a further degree? If so, tell us about it.

Continuing Education

For further information on continuing education programs, contact the OBC or OTS registrar's office (416/226-6380).

Ontario Theological Seminary

INTERSESSION

January 4 - 8
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Evangelism and Discipleship of Youth - Extended Advanced II 597 (4) Rev. David Garda, associate director, Sonlife Ministries
Cost: $450

January 11 - 15
9:30 a.m. - noon and 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Effective Youth Ministry in Immigrant Church Settings 891 (2) Rev. Minho Song, lecturer in Youth Ministry; associate pastor, Young-Nak Korean Presbyterian Church of Toronto

January 4 - 15
9:30 a.m. - noon and 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Systematic Theology II 532 (4) Dr. John Vissers, professor of Theology

9:30 a.m. - noon
I & II Thessalonians 924 (2) Dr. Erwin Penner, lecturer in New Testament

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Revival 861 (2) Dr. John White, author and lecturer

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
English Ministry in the North American Chinese Church 801 (2) Dr. Hoover Wong, assistant professor of Chinese Studies, Fuller Theological Seminary
Theology of Creation 838 (2) Dr. Loren Wilkinson, professor of inter-disciplinary studies, Regent College
21st Century Evangelicals: Lunatic Fringe, Moral Majority or Something Entirely Different -- A case study in a changing evangelical culture, drawn from the United Kingdom, 1966 - 1992 863 (2) Rev. Clive Calver, general director, Evangelical Alliance of the United Kingdom
Note: This course will begin Tuesday, January 5

SPRING SEMESTER

January 25 - April 28

Monday 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Methods of Youth Ministry 595 (4) Dr. John Wilkinson, professor of Youth Ministry
Christian Apologetics 534 (4) Rev. James Beverley, professor of Theology and Ethics
Reformed Heritage 950 (4) Dr. John Vissers
Evangelism and the Local Church 645 (4) Rev. John McLaverty, lecturer in Evangelism, pastoral team leader, Spring Garden Church, North York, ON

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Theology and Practice of Ministry 541 (4) Dr. David Sherbino, professor of Pastoral Studies
Folk Religions and Religious Encounter 686 (4) Rev. Irving Whitt, professor of Missiology
Counselling: Foundations II 573 (4) Dr. Brian Cunnington, professor of Counselling
Violence in Relationships 673 (4) Helena te Bokkel Watson, lecturer in Counselling; private therapist practice
Wesleyan Heritage 950 (4) Dr. Robert Buchanan, lecturer in Wesleyan Heritage; superintendent, Canada East Conference, The Free Methodist Church

6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Exegetical Method II 524 (4) Dr. Kevin Quast, professor of New Testament
Urban Ministry I 787 (4) Rick Tobias, lecturer in Urban Ministry; executive director, Yonge Street Mission, Toronto
Old Testament Prayers and Revivals 715 (4) Dr. Donald Leggett, professor of Old Testament
Personal Development for Ministry 744 (4) Dr. David Sherbino

Tuesday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Evangelism and Church Planting in the Chinese Community 603 (4) Dr. John Kao, lecturer in Chinese Ministry; pastor, Toronto Chinese Community Church
Matthew 624 (4) Rev. Brian Rowe, lecturer in New Testament
Music in the Church 548 (4) Dr. Larry Marshall, lecturer in Church Music; pastor, Good Shepherd Community Church, Scarborough, ON
Youth Ministry in the Church 592 (4) Dr. John Wilkinson

Wednesday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Human Sexuality and the Helping Relationship 672 (4) Dr. Vincent Poon, lecturer in Counselling; lecturer Marriage and Family Therapy, Flemingdon Health Centre, University of Toronto; private family medical practice

Thursday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Elementary Greek II 322 (4) Rev. Harry Hahne, lecturer in New Testament
The New Age Movement 637 (4) Rev. Jim Beverley

Ontario Bible College

SPRING SEMESTER

January 6 - April 14

Monday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Amos BIBL 0202 James Bailey, dean of students
Integrative Theology: The Doctrine of Eschatology THEO 0328 Dr. Robert Duez, Bible and Theology; Independent Studies co-ordinator
Introduction to Camping CAMP 0201 Doug Ward, adjunct faculty; camp director, Fairglen Youth Camp
Introduction to Psychology SOSC 0351 Dr. Timothy Quek, adjunct faculty, General Arts, Ministry Studies
*Sexuality and the Developmentally Delayed * CHED 1000 (1 credit)* S. Ludwig, community health nurse, York Public Health

Tuesday 9:00 - 11:50 a.m.
Introduction to Counselling SOSC 0358 Rudy Dirks, director of Counselling, chaplain
Introduction to Milton LITR 0276 Elizabeth Davey, General Arts
Jeremiah BIBL 0302 Glen Wyper, Bible and Theology
Personal Evangelism INTC 0200 Dr. Ebenezer Sikakane, co-ordinator, Intercultural focus
Philosophy Seminar PHIL 0400 John Franklin, chair, General Arts

Tuesday 2:00 - 4:50 p.m.
Biblical Hermeneutics BIBL 0209 Sylvia Keesmaat, part-time faculty, Bible and Theology
Hebrews BIBL 0311 Dr. Erwin Penner, chair, Bible and Theology
Group Dynamics CHED 0106 Paul Bramer, co-ordinator, Christian Education focus
Exceptional Children CHED 0300 Beth Posterski, co-ordinator, Early Childhood Studies major, Special Needs Ministries major

Tuesday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Acting Out CHED 0218 Nicholas Hunter, adjunct faculty, Ministry Studies
*Christian Counselling: Part II ** SOSC 0362* (Pre-requisite SOSC 0361) Dr. Rod Wilson, vice-president, academic and student affairs; guest lecturers
Christian Themes in Literature II LITR 0272 Elizabeth Davey
Marriage and the Family CHED 0302 Rudy Dirks
Varieties of Evangelical Protestantism HIST 0345 Paul Friesen, General Arts

Thursday 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Biblical Ethics THEO 0326 John Franklin
Church Planting and Growth PAST 0335 Rev. Gary Carter, church growth consultant; former church planter
Galatians/James BIBL 0206 Rev. Stephen Thomson, registrar and director of admissions
Music Theory I MUSIC 0161 Sharon Bell, adjunct faculty, Ministry Studies
Theology II (Section 1) THEO 0222 Dr. Robert Duez
Youth Ministry CHED 0216 Steve Baldry, adjunct faculty, Ministry Studies

* *This course is one credit-hour; it meets March 15, 22, 29, & April 3.*
** *Second of a three-course package.(must have SOSC 0361)*

Seeking personal growth and development? Join us for new non-credit alternatives.

Saturday Workshops at the College
Cost $42.80, includes GST and lunch. Registration required; call Isobel Crites at ext 2201.

January 30, 1993, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Ministry in a Multi-Cultural Setting
Facilitators: Dr. David Russell, co-ordinator, Pastoral focus, and Rev. John Mahaffey, pastor, Churchill Heights Baptist Church, Scarborough, ON

Drama in the Church
Facilitator: Nick Hunter, adjunct faculty, Ministry Studies; professional actor

March 27, 1993, 9:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.

Preparation for Marriage
Facilitators: Dr. Rod Wilson and Bev Wilson, homemaker
Rev. Glenn Taylor, director of counselling, Missionary Health Institute, North York, ON; and Mary Taylor, staff, Missionary Health Institute

Making a Good Thing Better: Marriage Enrichment
Facilitators: Dr. Wm. J. McRae and Marilyn McRae, kindergarten specialist, Scarborough Board of Education

✂ ***Double duty: Clip this listing and use it as a poster at your church or ministry office.***

Come and Visit

OTS Open House: Thursday March 25, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Tour, meet program heads. For information call the OTS Enrollment Office, ext. 2172.
Experience OBC: Stay on campus over night March 14 - 15, 1993
To learn more, call the Enrollment Services Office, ext. 2111 or 2147. Youth pastors/parents, this is a great Spring Break event.

Side by Side

Students Work in Development in Ghana

by Dr. Ebe Sikakane

Last spring 15 students from the College had an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of and appreciation for global development. They spent six weeks in Janga, a rural village in northern Ghana in May and June working side by side with Ghanaians on agriculture/food production. The emphases of the projects were on training women, health care, construction and supplying water.

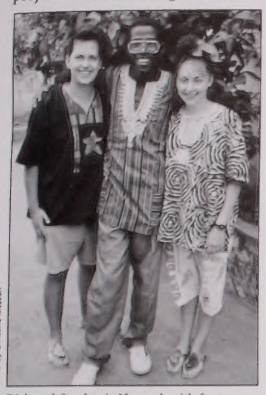

Photo by Christine McLean

Rick and Stephanie Hancock with former OBC student, Thomas Imoro.

The team was invited to Ghana by Dr. David Mensah, BRE '82, and his co-worker, former OBC student, Thomas Imoro ('84-'85), founders of Northern Evangelistic Association Development Projects (NEA).

They went as a summer share team under the International Skills and Service Program of Christian Children's Fund of Canada. Shirley Setter, CCFC program director, spent two weeks with us in Ghana. CCFC expedited all the details regarding funding and travel. Students were assisted with covering costs through CIDA's (Canadian International Development Agency) Youth Initiatives Programme, which funded 60 per cent of all our expenses. They had to raise only $1500 in total.

David and Thomas gave us a superb orientation on the specifics of Ghanaian and Janga village culture. They provided excellent leadership because they understand both the Canadian young people and the Ghanaian situation.

The Ghanaians accepted us enthusiastically as was demonstrated on the day we were officially welcomed to Janga by the Chief in a big colourful ceremony. Upon arrival we were met by someone bearing a Canadian flag, and by nearly 2000 people from the five tribes where the projects are being carried out. In spite of their poor economic circumstances Ghanians were very generous to us.

Photo by Christine McLean

The OBC Summer Share Team: front row Jodi Ellis, Brian Palmer, Chris Dowber, Glen Heslinga, Heather MacLean. Back row Ray Butler, Christine McLean who acted as journalist and photographer, Don Hiscox, Elizabeth Hunter, Gordon MacCormack, Melissa Huddart, Janet Rasmussen, Cara Bryenton, and team leaders, Rick and Stephanie Hancock.

The students rotated their duties so that they could all experience a bit of each project. They also visited other projects, a requirement of CIDA who wanted the trip to be widely educational.

Before returning to Canada I was able to meet with two other alumni who were not part of the project. Eric Asare, BTh '88, is giving strong leadership to Scripture Union in Ghana. Joe Ocran, BRE '90, is doing church planting and assisting young Christians develop some essential life skills. ✞

Dr. Ebe Sikakane is co-ordinator, Intercultural focus, OBC.

Stewardship Position Strengthened

Ontario Bible College/Ontario Theological Seminary is pleased to announce two appointments that will strengthen our financial operations in the short and long term.

In mid August Bel Voegelin assumed the position of comptroller. Reporting to the President, he assumed responsibility for all the finance and budgeting functions.

Bel has a broad background in finance, audit and banking and is a chartered accountant; he also holds an engineering degree from the University of Western Ontario, London, ON. Bel's experience with information systems will be vital for the organization as it improves productivity and the availability of information through further computerization.

Faithful Service

Bel had a good orientation with Lorna Arndt. Although eligible to retire last spring, Lorna has agreed to stay on full-time through to May 31, 1993, as manager of the Business Office.

President Gordon has said of her, "We cannot fully appreciate the absolutely invaluable role which Lorna has played sacrificially at OBC/OTS over the past 30 years."

Estate Planning Department Re-established

Photo by Ellis Photographic Image

Rev. Glen Buffam

After a long search an excellent candidate was found for the position of director of planned giving. Rev. Glen Buffam, who started in August, has a strong background in administration and pastoral leadership with the Free Methodist Church in Canada. He served as superintendent of the Canada Great Lakes Conference of the Free Methodist Church in Canada and he last served as senior pastor of the Queensway Free Methodist Church, Niagara Falls, ON.

For sometime the institution has not had a person to work with those who want to include OBC/OTS in their wills. At the same time, it still benefits from the faithful work done in estate planning in years past by staff such as Elmer Cassidy, Wilson Flanagan and Earl Sherbino. These men helped others understand how they could support the vision for developing men and women for service in the Church.

Glen is available for individual consultation and group meetings. At Homecoming in October he spoke not only of his professional responsibilities, but, with passion, of his personal concern for revival in Canada. ✞

exLibris

EVANGELICAL SPIRITUALITY: FROM THE WESLEYS TO JOHN STOTT

James M. Gordon (SPCK: London, 1991, 331 pp, $34.95).

A great deal of conversation is now taking place around the topic of "spirituality," with the spiritual disciplines, the theology and a variety of traditions the focus of new interest. It is common to hear of Catholic, Anglican or Orthodox spiritualities, occasionally of Reformed spirituality, but only rarely of Evangelical spirituality.

And yet Evangelicals are amongst those most interested in the current attention being given to spirituality. Some are seeking out spiritual directors and going on guided retreats, while evangelical colleges and seminaries (including our own) are offering courses in spirituality.

James Gordon's book, *Evangelical Spirituality*, provides a useful resource for exploring some elements of the rich spiritual heritage of the evangelical tradition. He has selected 22 figures and dealt with them in pairs, following through in chronological order from the Wesleys to the present. Each chapter sets out some biographical detail, but focuses primarily on the understanding of the spiritual life that each person expressed in teaching and life.

The author observes that "new life through grace is the kernel of the Evangelical experience..." In addition to conversion, which brings us to new life in Christ, there are, according to Gordon, three other distinctives of evangelical spirituality. These include sharing the good news of the evangel with others, the willing submission of the mind and heart to the Scriptures as the authoritative revelation of God and the centrality of the cross in doctrine, experience and personal piety.

In the chapter on John Newton and William Cowper, Gordon observes that a common theology does not always yield a common experience of faith. Newton enjoyed full assurance of faith while Cowper lived with self doubt and uncertainty and so his spirituality, as expressed in hymns, conveys yearning and hesitation.

Hannah More was a well-connected writer in the late 18th century, particularly concerned about how personal commitment to Christ impacted moral life, and her moral teachings had a formative influence on Victorian Evangelicalism.

Evangelical Spirituality is a valuable resource of historical, biographical and theological information yielding unique insight into the distinctive contributions of evangelical spirituality.

John Franklin is chair, Department of General Arts, OBC. He co-ordinates this column for each issue. ✞

Because You Need to Know ...

At OBC/OTS we want to help you prepare for your family's future and to feel the satisfaction of faithful stewardship of the resources God has given you. In an effort to help you, we have prepared a free practical booklet explaining the facts about will planning and how it can benefit you.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____

☐ I would like to receive *Basic Facts About Your Will*

☐ I would like to discuss how I can support the vision of OBC/OTS through my estate

☐ I have included OBC/OTS in my will. Thank you for letting us know.

Please return this form to the **Planned Giving Office, OBC/OTS,** 25 Ballyconnor Court, North York, ON, M2M 4B3.

Calendar of Events

All events take place on the Bayview Campus unless otherwise indicated. For further information on any event listed here, call 416/226-6380

Dec. 18, 1992 - Jan. 4, 1993 OBC/OTS closed for Christmas.

1993	
Jan. 4	**OBC registration**, upperclass students
Jan. 4	**OTS Intersession** registration
Jan. 5	**OBC registration**, first year students
Jan. 7,11,12	**OBC registration**, continuing education
Jan. 24	**OTS spring registration**, full-time students
Jan. 25	**OTS spring registration**, part-time students
Jan. 25-28	**OBC Global Missions Conference**
Feb. 5-6	**OBC Arts Festival**, Hooper Chapel
Feb. 8-12	**OTS Prayer Week**
Feb. 10	**OBC Day of Prayer**
Feb. 15-17	**Ministry Enrichment Conference** on worship
Feb. 20	**Today's Teens Conference**, at Bayview Glen Alliance Church, Becky Tirabassi, speaking on Spiritual Disciplines in Youth Ministry
Mar. 8-12	**OTS Missions Week**

Annual Meeting Held

In the morning prior to President Gordon's inauguration, the annual meeting of the OBC/OTS Corporation was held in Boehmer Chapel at the Seminary.

The nominating report, Annual Report and Financial Statements were received. Copies of the latter two are available from the President's Office.

The President reported that OBC/OTS had incurred a deficit of $334,000 in the 1991/92 fiscal year. While budgeted income from tuition and ancillary (book store, residence, food services) was attained the shortfall was in donation income. At the same time he noted that the $1,600,000 given in response to the combined appeals for the annual fund and for the Commitment to Excellence campaign was excellent.

Expenditure targets were also held, in spite of unanticipated costs such as the emergency removal of asbestos in two areas.

To increase donor revenue, OBC/OTS will make its vision better known to more people and will build better relationships. As well the focus will now move to the annual fund from the campaign, which closed in May 1992.

Expenditures will continue to be carefully controlled and the new comptroller, Bel Voegelin (see Stewardship page 7), is monitoring cash flow daily. Spending has been capped in a number of non-salary areas.

For pleasure and enrichment
Join us at the first

OBC Arts Festival

Gala Performance Friday, February 5, 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy the classical guitar of Barton Wigg, the singing and playing of Jean Luther and Lynda Wigglesworth-Wray, among other accomplished Christian artists.

Cost $8 and $5 for students.

Seminar Day – Saturday, February 6, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Plenary speaker • Karen Pascal, producer and director, Windborne Productions

Workshops

Historical Perspective, Calvin Seerveld — Dance, James and Cindy Croker — Drama, Dennis Hassell
Others to be announced.

Cost for Seminar Day, $35 before February 1, 1993 and $45 after.

For tickets, contact Jennifer Simcoe, ext 2151.

Coming Your Way

Choir Ministry in Ontario

Jan. 17, p.m.	First Presbyterian Church, Collingwood
Jan. 24, p.m.	Blythwood Road Baptist Church, Toronto
Feb. 7, p.m.	Richview Baptist Church, Etobicoke
Mar. 3-7	Tour, Southwestern Ontario
Mar. 28, p.m.	Bridlewood Presbyterian Church, Scarborough
Apr. 4, p.m.	First Christian Reformed Church, London

Worship, Drama & Mime in Ontario

Nov. 29, p.m.	Steadfast – downtown Toronto
Dec. 6, p.m.	Worship & Drama Team, Ajax Alliance Church, Ajax
Dec. 27-31	Drama Team & Steadfast, Mission Advance '92, Hamilton
Jan. 24 a.m.	Worship & Drama Team, Lisle Memorial Baptist Church, Toronto
Mar. 28 a.m.	Worship & Drama Team, Oakwood Baptist Church, Toronto

OBC Theatrical Company

Presenting One Stage Further, three short comedies encouraging an honest look at personal commitment and discipleship

Thurs. Mar. 11 — OBC Hooper Chapel, 8:00 p.m.
Sat. Mar. 13
Fri. Mar. 26 — Youth nights with the Dustkickers in Central
Sun. Mar. 28 & Southeastern Ontario

Contact Robyn Michell, public ministries co-ordinator, for information.

Faculty and Staff Notes

PUBLICATIONS

Rev. James Beverley, professor of Theology and Ethics, OTS, chapter on The Unification Church in *Misguiding Lights?* Stephen Miller, editor, Kansas: Beacon Hill Press, 1991;
John Wimber, The Vineyard and the Prophets, *The Canadian Baptist*, March/April 1992.

Dr. Grant Gordon, director of field education, OTS, *From Slavery to Freedom: The Life of David George, Pioneer Black Baptist Minister*, Acadia Divinity College, Wolfeville, NS, $13.95. Krysia P. Lear, director of Communications and Alumni Relations, editor.

OFF-CAMPUS

Dr. Nelson Annan, professor of Preaching, OTS, October 9-12, conference, Guelph Bible Chapel, Guelph, ON;
October 16-17, elders' retreat, Don Valley Bible Chapel, North York, ON;
October 30-31, men's retreat, Ridgeville, ON;
November 7, elders seminar, OTS;
December 21-30, Decade of Promise Conference, Chicago, IL.

Dr. Brian Cunnington, professor of Counselling, OTS, September 13, seminar on Spouse Abuse, Spring Garden Baptist Church, North York, ON;
November 11-15, Congress on Christian Counselling, Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Robert Duez, faculty, Department of Bible and Theology, OBC, October, each Sunday, Oakridge Bible Chapel, Oakville, ON;
December 6, 13, Albion Hills Bible Church, Albion Hills, ON.

President Gordon with wife Denise, November 11-13, guests of President of Moody Bible Institute, Dr. Joseph & Martee Stowell;
February 7, speaking, at Hilltop Bible Chapel, Toronto;
February 11-13, team member on an Accrediation Review for Providence College, Winnipeg.

Dr. Robert Hiebert, faculty, Department of Bible and Theology, OBC, and ***Dr. Erwin Penner***, chair, Department of Bible and Theology, OBC, November, travelling in Egypt and Sinai to preview a trip they plan to host in May 1994.

Dr. William McRae, chancellor, October 17-18, Scarborough Chinese Baptist Church, Scarborough, ON;
October 23-25, family life seminar, Cornerstone Bible Church, Orleans, ON;
October 30, banquet, Mission Services of London, London, ON;
November 1, Center Street Baptist Church, St. Thomas, ON;
November 7-8, missionary conference, Emmanuel Baptist Church, Chatham, ON;
November 15, First Baptist Church, Orillia, ON;
November 20-22, Hastings Park Church leadership conference, Belleville, ON;
November 29, Simcoe Gospel Chapel, Simcoe, ON;
December 6, Bendale Chapel, Scarborough, ON;
December 12-13, family conference, Kitchener Mennonite Brethren Church, Kitchener, ON.

Dr. David Sherbino, professor of Pastoral Studies, OTS, October 2-3, marriage enrichment retreat for Kingsway Baptist Church, Etobicoke, ON;
October 16-18, workshop on contemporary worship for the Synod of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, Presbyterian Church in Canada;
October 29-30, workshop, Consultation on Women and the Church, sponsored by the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada.

Dr. Ebenezer Sikakane, co-ordinator, Intercultural focus, OBC, October 18, 25, Chinese Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

Lynn Smith, dean of students, OTS, committee member, Consultation on Women and the Church.

Shawn Stovell, alumni and referral services co-ordinator, September 3, Annual Fall Youth Banquet, Uxbridge Baptist Church, Uxbridge, ON.

Dr. John Wilkinson, professor of Youth Ministry, OTS, October 23, workshop leader, Youth Leaders' Conference, Presbyterian Churches;
November 11-15, workshop leader, Christian Camping International Canadian conference.

PASSAGES

Jeff Beamish, housekeeping, married Marti Wakefield (xOBC '90-'92), August 1, 1992, Barrie, ON.

Dr. Robert Duez, and wife Shirley, welcomed their first grandchild, Sara Elizabeth Mitchell, July 13, 1992, Toronto.

Dr. Ian Rennie and wife Lee, welcomed grandchild, Marc Rennie Hewitt, September 12, 1992, Paris, France, on their 39th wedding anniversary.

Cindy Seguin, faculty secretary, OTS, married Mark Rorke, May 30, 1992, Toronto.

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